

# “Potential Roles for Local Governments in America’s Nuclear Future”

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# Local Governments Have a Critical Role

- Ensure environmental health and safety of their communities.
- Provide outreach and education on nuclear issues impacting the community.
- Act as a liaison between the site and local community.
  - *Perceived risk vs. technical risk*

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- Advocate for local concerns and priorities.
- Ensure economic opportunities exist for the community.
  - *Nuclear Workforce Initiatives*
- Advocate, as appropriate, for the site and project.

# Key Safety, Environmental and Security Concerns

- Waste Handling
- Security
- Transportation
- Assured funding
- Absence of a permanent waste disposition plan

Communication is key

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